

### WALKER CONFESSED

**Abscinding Bank Cashier Admits His Identity.**

**TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE**

**After Being Handcuffed he Grabbed Revolver From Camp Follower and Tried to Shoot Himself—Was Preparing to go Further Into the Mountains.**

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 19.—A special to the Tribune from Escondido, concerning the arrest of W. F. Walker, the absconding cashier of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., says he went under the alias of Morrison while in Lower California. Walker confessed that he is the man wanted but says he only took \$20,000 cash and \$325,000 in securities. An officer with the necessary papers is now on the way from the East and he is prepared to identify Walker personally. When arrested Walker had only \$1.10 in his pockets. When the police arrived at the camp Walker had his things packed and was apparently preparing to go further into the mountains or to some other section of the country. He evidently knew the officers were on his trail. After being handcuffed Walker seized a revolver belonging to one of the camp laborers and tried to kill himself but was prevented by the police.

**A WORTHY CAUSE.**

**Fine Musical Entertainment Being Prepared for Seamen's Institute.**

Prof. Emil Anna will give a concert for the benefit of the Seamen's Institute at the Presbyterian Church on the evening of January 14th. He will be assisted by the Norwegian made chorus and other local talents. Mrs. C. H. Abercrombie will sing the solo part to the Norwegian anthem composed by Mr. Greig: "Den store hvite flok vi ser," "The great white heavenly throng we see," so famous in this country and Europe.

Mr. Enna is making for himself a great name in this country as a musical genius, and it will be a treat to all music lovers and the public in general to hear his performance on the piano, and at the same time will give the people of Astoria an opportunity to help

on the worthy cause of the Seamen's Mission. The building stands as yet in its undergarment and is very unattractive amidst the other full dressed structures on the street, and this means is taken to procure, for the Seamen's Institute, building a more attractive appearance. At the present time the sleeping apartments are all filled, and the reading room well patronized.

The object of the entertainment is worthy of all encouragement, and there is little doubt that a large audience, at the presentation, will testify to the appreciation of the people of Astoria of the efforts of those in charge of this glorious work.

**MAKING THEIR OWN WAY.**

**Seenty Per Cent of University Students Work in Summer.**

EUGENE, Dec. 19.—A canvass of the students of the University of Oregon just made shows that between 60 per cent and 70 per cent of the University this year are either wholly or partially making their own way through college. The greater part of the earnings is done of course during the summer. The canvass shows that, since the vacation is comparatively short, the men get employment in the harvest fields, mills, mines, and labor of various kinds paying good wages. It shows also that the engineering students find no trouble in getting work in their line. The Engineering department has a large number of graduates in the employ of the Southern Pacific, O. R. & N., Northern Pacific, and in the Government Reclamation Service, and the majority of the engineering students are engaged before the session closes in June.

A number of students are partly earning their own way during the session. The University maintains an employment bureau under the direction of the Registrar, but it has not been able this fall to supply all calls made on it for students to work.

**LOOK FOR SURVIVORS.**

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 19.—H. M. S. Shearwater may be ordered to the South American coast from Esquimalt to search the islands off Chili for possible survivors of the crew of the missing Liverpool ship Silberhorn, which was reported having burned at sea August 23 about 90 miles off the Chilean coast. There are slim hopes that the survivors may have reached the islands off Chili.

**ARREST REVOLUTIONIST.**

GUAYAQUIL, Equador, Dec. 19.—The Colombian authorities have arrested near the frontier the Ecuadorian general, Nicanor Arrellano, who is accused of organizing bands to invade Ecuador.

**NEGOTIATIONS STILL PENDING**

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ing upon the text and terms of the bond contract, a copy of which is herewith inclosed.

"And you are requested to meet with the committee at 8 o'clock, p. m., Friday evening, December 20th, in the Chamber of Commerce.

"In case this contract as already drawn is satisfactory to you, you are requested to file at once a written statement to that effect with the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, J. H. Whyte.

"Yours very truly,  
"Signed, J. H. WHYTE,  
"Secretary."

Adjournment was taken yesterday to the hour of 8 o'clock this evening, and it is hoped there will be a rousing assembly of Astoria citizens, aside from the gentlemen named on the big committee, as the business in hand is entitled the largest and freest discussion and public consideration, as well as the stamp of universal approval by Astorians, as the people most nearly and directly affected and benefitted.

**OLDEST CONDUCTOR.**

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Albert M. Staples, who, until his retirement six months ago, was the oldest Pullman car conductor in the service, died at his home in Evanston yesterday, aged 70 years. He had a regular Chicago to New York run over the Grand Trunk for more than 25 years. During the last 15 years his run had been between Chicago and Buffalo.

**MARINE LOSSES.**

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 19.—The total loss to vessel property on the great lakes amounted to \$743,000 for the season of 1907, according to figures compiled by marine men. Thirteen steamers and one schooner were lost. In 1906 44 vessels valued at \$1,029,500 were lost.

**Notice—**

An extra force of clerks has been put on by P. A. Stokes in order to facilitate shopping during the holidays.

You Don't Need to Send to Portland. C. H. Orkowitz, 137 Tenth street, can cover your umbrellas just as good as they can any place on the northwest coast.

**Wood—Wood—**

The Tongue Point Lumber Company are now booking orders for short (stove length) wood to be delivered during January and later. Get your orders in now, phone Main 2771. 12-18-tf.



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We have so many nice things that are suitable for men that we find it impossible to enumerate them all here.

Smoking Jackets in many designs.

Mufflers, \$50c to \$2.50

Fancy Vests, \$1.50 to \$5

Lounging Robes, something very nice, \$5.

Neckties suitable for Xmas, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50

Silk Sox, \$1 to \$2  
Fancy Sox, 25c, 50c, 75c

Genuine Irish linen handkerchiefs, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1  
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X-mas Presents



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This Golden OAK ROCKER only \$4.50



We are showing a large line of Rockers and Chairs suitable for Xmas Gifts.

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Roller-bearing, non-binding doors, removable to clean or replace broken glass by simply unhooking. No unsightly iron bands or protruding shelves. Sections so nicely joined together the appearance is that of a solid case. The only Sectional Bookcase entitled to use the trademark of the Grand Rapids Furniture Association, which means the best. We are agents for the Gunn Patent Sectional Bookcase, and shall be pleased to show and explain the workings of this perfect system.

We carry a very large stock of Sectional Bookcases in stock in both the golden and weathered oak finish. Just the thing for storing you Christmas Books.

New Line of BUFFETS AND SIDEBOARDS on display.



We are offering some exceptionally good values in this line.

**NEW TO-DAY**

**For Christmas—**  
A fine display of men's novelties is made at Frank Hart's drug store that will keep a Christmas purchaser guessing. The prices are right and there need be no guessing on that point.

**Notice.**

Door Mats, 50 cents each; Umbrella Vases, 75 cents each. You need them in this kind of weather. See Hildebrandt & Gor.

**Toilet Cases—**

Toilet cases that are beauties, of different varieties, can be had at Frank Hart's drug store, and at prices that are astonishingly low. There is a large stock to select from.

**Reward.**

\$50 reward will be paid for the recovery of the body of James Edwards, by A. Seafeldt. 12-12-07.

**New Grocery Store.**

Try our own mixture of coffee—the J. P. B. Fresh fruit and vegetables. Babollet & Co. grocers. Phone Main 1281.

**Now at City Hall—**

City Attorney Charles Abercrombie has removed from his old quarters at 59 1/2 Commercial street, and will, henceforth be found at his office on the second floor of the City Hall. 11-30-tf.

**Cut in Glassware—**

A fine stock of cut glassware is shown at Frank Hart's drug store and the prices on this class of goods has been cut to ridiculously low figures.

Columbia and Victor graphophones and latest records at 424 Commercial street. A. R. Cyrus. 12.

**The Tyler.**

The Tyler still keeps up its reputation. Good liquors and polite attention will always win, and in pursuance of this idea Clarence Tyler has made no change in the quality of his goods, and has secured the services of Uncle Gene Lent whose genial personality makes him popular with the Tyler's patrons. Everyone knows where the Tyler is, Sixth and Bond streets.

Oliver typewriters and automatic stenographers at A. R. Cyrus, 424 Commercial street. 12.

**The Palace.**

The Palace Restaurant is still keeping up its reputation for the excellence of its meals, and service, a reputation that is of the best, and well earned. The doors never close at this popular place and at any hour of the day or night the best the market affords can always be had served in excellent style. No matter how great the rush may be each patron receives due attention and complaints are unheard of.

**The Commercial.**

The Commercial evidently is not experiencing any hard time, judging by the liberal patronage accorded this well known resort. Good goods, and a well furnished place surely attracts the best class of trade and Otto Sund is kept busy catering to it. Everyone knows the Commercial as a pleasant place to spend a few minutes in, and it has long been recognized as a well known place of meeting for friends. Drop in and see for yourself. Commercial street near 11th.

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